#### AFFAIRS OF THE RAILWAYS.

The Record for the Past Week Shows a

Decrease in Movement of Loaded Cars. The train records show that in the week ending Dec. 20 there were 1,188 fewer loaded cars received and forwarded at Indianapolis than in the week preceding. The decreased movement seems to have been general, and quite equally distributed between the east-and-west and north-andsouth lines. East bound there was a lighter movement of live stock and export business; the shipments of cotton, however, were heavier. The west-bound tonnage, as usual in the last half of December, is down to the minimum, yet it is noticeable that what is classed as transcontinental-line business is above the usual December average. This is probably due to the threatened advance in rates over the transcontiened advance in rates over the transcontinental lines on Jan. 1; but those in position to predict quite accurately are of opinion that this threat will not be carried out, so much jealousy is there existing over the unprecedentedly heavy trancontinental business the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe is doing, and seems to be carrying at full tariff rates. Not for years have the shipments of railway supplies to the West and Southwest been as light as at the present time, indicating that there is but little new construction work in progress, and construction work in progress, and not much doing in the way of renewals, unless it be bridges. Freight traffic with north-and-south lines, it will be noticed by comparison, averages well with former years. Generally, when business is good with east-and-west lines, it is the same with north-and-south roads. Taken as a whole, the freight situation is very satisfactory to the freight men, most of whom say they would do better, even, were cars more plenty. Below is given the number of cars received and forwarded at Indianapolis in the week ending Dec. 20, as compared with the correspond-

NAME OF ROAD		Loaded cars, 1890.	Loaded cars, 1889.	cars, 1888.
L., N. A. & C. Air-line		292	360	301
I., D. & W.		422	388	431
C., H. &D. (Ind'p'l's div.)		644	756	766
L.E. &W		561	519	425
Penn. lines Lou'v'e div.		667	465	563
		1,091 555	967 556	781 287
	Pittsb'g div.	1,816	1,957	1,910
	Columbus div	912	635	657
	Peoria. div	961	820	753
Big Four lines.		2,290	1,930	2,150
	Cin. div	2,874	2,614	2,363
	8t. L. div	1.867	1,822	1,874
	Clev.div	2,068	2,256	2,053
Vandalia		2,043	2,219	2,006
Totals		19,063	18,264	18,050
Empty cars		4,486	5,006	5,107

Traffic Notes.

Total movement...... 23,549 23,270 23,157

There were handled by the Belt road engines last week 1,15% car-loads of live stock, a decrease of 120 cars as compared with the corresponding week of 1889.

There were transferred over the Belt road in the week ending Dec. 20 15,340 cars, an increase of 923 cars as compared with the movement in the corresponding week of

But ness over the Pennsylvania lines is very nearly equalized, the train records showing that 897 loaded cars were brought in last week from the East and 919 loaded cars forwarded. The Vandalia last week brought into In-

dianapolis 1,235 loaded cars, of which number 422 were loaded with cotton, 506 with grain and flour, 114 with live stock. The remainder was made up of coal and miscellaneous freights.

The east-bound movement with the Big Four lines is considerably in excess of the west-bound. Last week there were received over the Claveland division from the East 787 loaded cars, against 1,281 forwarded, on the St. Douis division, 1,085 loaded cars were brought in, against 835 forwarded West.

Official Changes Taking Effect To-Day.

M. A. McCarty to-day takes the position of chief train-dispatcher of the Peoria division of the Big Four, vice J. A. Shirley. resigned. Mr. Shirley commenced service on this road in 1879 as a telegraph operator of the Indiana, Bloomington & Western.

George Saul, president and general manager of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois and other lines in the Mackey system, will today make public the following official changes: T. W. Burrows having resigned as superintendent of transportation to engage in other business, M. S. Connors is appointed superintendent, with headquarters at Danville, Ill. C. J. Clifford, acting general master mechanic, is appointed general master mechanic, with headquarters at Danville, Ill. He will have charge of the motive power and machinery department. A. A. Bowman, acting trainmaster, is appointed trainmaster, with headquarters at

Saturday last the directors of the Cincinnati, New Orleans & Texas Pacific road (Queen and Crescent route) elected Samuel Felton, jr., president of the company, vice Samuel Thomas, resigned. Mr. Felton is now president of companies which operate 2,63112 miles of what are called trunk lines south of the Ohio river.

A number of important changes will take effect an the Norfolk & Western lines Jan. 1, when J. H. Sanders becomes vicepresident and general manager in charge of the transportation department, and on that date D. W. Flickwir takes the position of general superintendent of the east-ern division, and A. C. Hippey the general superintendency of the western division. O. Howard Roger, traveling freight agent, is appointed assistant general freight agent, with headquarters at Roanoke.

Personal, Local and General Notes.

Dr. E. Yancey has been appointed chief surgeon of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas road, vice Dr. Edward N. Small, deceased. D. K. Folsom, general agent of the American Express Company at this point, to-day closes his fifteenth year in that posi-George Howard, chief of the Brotherhood

of Conductors, states that the membership the last six months has increased at the rate of 350 per month. C. H. Ackert, general manager, and A. F. Banks, traffic manager of the Iowa Central

road, have gone to Mexico for a two weeks' trip, combining business with pleasure. Judge J. D. Springer has been elected third vice-president of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe road. For some time past he has been assistant to President

Manvel. The private car of Assistant General Manager Barnard, of the Big Four, came

out of the Brightwood shops on Saturday. It excels in elegance and convenience the car of President Ingalls. As evidence that his services are appre-

ciated, President Waite, of the Columbus & Hocking Valley road, will voluntarily increase the salary of General Passenger Agent Fisher on the first of the year. The first eleven months of this year the Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis

road increased its gross earnings over the corresponding period last year \$1,429,086.49, and increased its net earning \$392,925.83. General Superintendent Collins, of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, goes over

the system in a private car which much resembles a caboose, with the exception that it has two pairs of trucks and is six feet C. J. Fox, who, on Saturday, retired from the position of general agent of the Cincin-

nati, Hamilton & Dayton at Toledo, to be succeeded by J. F. Youse, of Indianapolis, was presented with an elegant present by the shippers of Toledo. The growth of business with the Wabash

at Chicago has been such that the company is obliged to increase its facilities at that point for handling business, putting in more side-tracks and building a 200-foot addition to their freight depot.

The Northwestern lines are sending official notice that in accordance with the agreement of the Western roads, they will cease paying commissions to fast-freight lines east of the Mississippi river, the notice to become effective sixty days hence. General Passenger Agent Shattuc, of the Ohio & Mississippi, has promised Chairman Finley, of the Western Passenger Association, that as soon as his competitors withdraw their tickets from the scalping offices he will abandon the scalpers without cere-

The Terre Haute Gazette of Saturday contains a half-page cut of the new Union Station which the Terre Haute & Indianspolis company proposes to build in that sity. It is much the style of architecture of a passenger station recently built in Springfield, Mass., which is one of the finest buildings of that character in New Eng-land. The manner in which Wm. R. Mc-

Keen, president of the company, is push-ing this enterprise is highly appreciated by the citizens of Terre Haute.

Columbus, O., is making an effort to secure the headquarters of the Brotherhood of Railway Conductors at that point. As Indianapolis is doubtless to be made the headquarters of the Order of Railway Conductors, Columbus may be entitled to the

General freight agents of Indianapolis lines which cross Illinois, on Saturday received from the Railroad Commission of Illinois, in printed form, the new schedule of freight rates for the transportation of live stock and its reclassification of railroads, which goes into effect Jan. 1.

The Pennsylvania Railway Company will, early in January, put on an additional fast mail train each way between New York and Chicago, proposing to make the run each way in twenty-four hours or less. Several engines have been recently built designed to haul these fast trains, which will be scheduled the fastest of any trains run in America.

The trunk-lines executive committee, at its meeting last week, freely discussed the merits of the uniform classification, and then decided that the time had not come when it would be wise to adopt it, taking the position that the commercial and rail-road interests of the country, in its different sections, are too diversified to admit of its working smoothly. its working smoothly.

The committee appointed last week by the transcentinental lines to devise some plan for stopping the payment of such enormous commissions by the transcontinental roads to scalpers, agents, etc., in the East, have taken hold of the matter in earnest, and with the coming in of the new year some important changes may be looked for if reports are true.

It is understood in Erie railway circles that G. G. Cochrane will be promoted to the position of freight traffic manager of the Erie lines, vice G. H. Valiant, promoted. How Mr. Cochrane's present position as general Western freight agent of the Erie can be so well filled is said to be the most troublesome question in connection with his deserved promotion.

The general superintendent of telegrap on the Lake Shore lines has requested all telegraphers on the system who are members of the Order of Railway Telegraphers to withdraw from that organization. Mr. Kiine's chief objection to the organization is that under its rules no member can teach the art of telegraphy to any person without consent of the grand chief telegrapher, attested by the grand secretary, and under seal of the Grand Division.

The Pennsylvania Railway Company after several years' trial, has concluded to abandon all kinds of advertising except that in regular newspapers. For over two years past the passenger department has been experimenting to ascertain if a given sum of money expended in posters, flyers, hangers, etc., or an equal sum in newspaper advertising brought about the best results. In every case the company has found that the newspaper advertising brought the best and most satisfactory returns for the money invested, and that it was read by many more people than in any other way. Hereafter the Pennsylvania will confine all its advertising to the newspapers, through which medium it will reach the great masses of the people.

### MINOR CITY MATTERS.

To-Day's Doings. BOARD OF ALDERMEN - Regular meeting. Court-house; evening. ENGLISH'S OPERA HOUSE - Harry Lacy "Still Alarm;" evening.

PARK THEATER-Frank I. Frayne in "Si Slocum;" afternoon and evening. MURPHY TEMPERANCE MEETINGS-Y. M. C. A. Hall; evening. Personal and Society.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Calkins, of Chicago, are the guests of Mrs. William T. Marcy, No. 792 North Meridian street. Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Bright, of Superior, Wis., are with Mrs. Bright's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Carnahan, of Woodruff

Mrs. Cora Wentworth Wells, of this city, gave a reading, at Millersville, Saturday evening, for the benefit of the Free Library Club of that place. The Masons of Mill ersville attended in a body.

The friends of Judge F. M. Finch observed his eighty-first birthday anniversary on Saturday. Though still crippled on account of the injuries that befell him in 1889 he is in good health.

Mr. G. G. Tanner received a telegram last night announcing the death of Mr. Living-ston D. Goldsberry, in New York city, at 6 P. M. yesterday. Mr. Goldsberry has been living in New York for some years past, but formerly resided here, and had a large circle of friends in Indianapolis, who will regret to hear of his death. His father. Samuel Goldsberry, was one of the early settlers here, and one of his brothers and two sisters still reside in this city.

### The Court Record.

SUPREME COURT DECISIONS 14636. Midland Railway Company vs. Island Coal Company et al. Boone C. C. Affirmed. Olds C. J.—One plaintiff in a consolidated action for a receiver cannot make an agreement that will bind another plaintiff not to press the claim to judgment. 14599. John Hughes, Administrator, vs. William D. Wilson. Ripley C. C. Reversed. Coffey J .- Where an attorney was employed to enforce and collect a judgment and decree against specific land and procured a sale of it and had his client purchase it for the benefit of an estate represented by such client, and such attorney susequently purchased an outstanding title. while he was yet such attorney, under an express agreement that he would hold it in trust for the estate represented by the client, he will be held as a trustee for such

in the transaction. 14598. Robert E. Chatten vs. Josiah Snider. Eikhart C. C. Reversed. Berkshire J .- An execution defendant may have an execution under an alias execution, although he had an exemption under the original execution, if demanded in good faith. If not in good faith the burden is on the plaintiff to allege and prove the fraud. 14670. David E. Straight vs. Carroll K.

client and to an accounting for the profits

Roberts et al. Benton C. C. Affirmed. Elliott. J.-Where a mortgage is founded upon a valuable consideration it will not be decreed void unless the mortgagee united with the mortgageor to defraud the creditors of the latter. If there is in such a case no affirmative evidence of fraud on the part of the mortgagee the mortgage will stand. Knowledge on the part of the mortgagee that the mortgageor was unable to pay a verdict against him did not make it a fraud to take the mortgage. SUPERIOR COURT.

Room 2-Hon. James W. Harper, Judge. Charles Quack vs. Albert Bonge; note, uagement for plaintiff for \$285.93. Rosa Sherman vs. Edward Sherman; divorce. Dismissed by court. Horace E. Smith vs. James B. Pond: attachment. Dismissed and costs paid by plaintiff.

New Suit Filed. Marion Gramley vs. Herman Santer; damages. Demand, \$5,000.

CIRCUIT COURT. Hon, Pierce Norton, Judge, pro tem. John P. Miller vs. Nancy Helms; mechanic's lien. Dismissed by plaintiff. Abram O. Miller vs. First National Bank of Lebanon, Ind. Dismissed by plaintiff.

A Souvenir of a Bad Elephant. Louis Deschler received from a friend at the Palace Hotel, Cincinnati, yesterday, a diminutive slice of an elephant steak cut from Chief, the vicious animal that was

shot at the Zoological Garden there Dec. 10. The meat from which the sample was taken was served for dinner at that hotel Dec. 17. It resembles a piece of very dry and extremely well-done roast-beef; and looks neither tender nor appetizing. It is probable that more of the meet was carried away by the guests as souvenirs than in any other way. After a careful inspection of this fragment of Chief the average citizen would be content to stick to common every-day meat with which he is familiar. Chief was a tough subject, hard to kill, and still harder to masticate. The interesting specimen attracted much attention at the Bates House

yesterday. POPULARLY cailed the king of medicines -Hood's Sarsaparilia. It conquers scrofula, salt rheumand all other blood diseases.

### RECENT LITERATURE.

"Economic and Society History of New England, 1620-1789," is the title of two volumes, by William B. Weeden, which may strike the reader as superfluous, for the reason that the period has been covered time and again, and so exhaustively that it would seem that nothing could be left for lines which cross Illinois, on Saturday received from the Railroad Commission of Illinois, in printed form, the new schedule of freight rates for the transportation of live stock and its reclassification of railroads, which goes into effect Jan. 1.

The Big Four has made improvements at Lafayette which will aid in moving trains more promptly through that city. A tank to hold fifty thousand gallons of water has just been completed and two stand-pipes erected at convenient points for furnishing engines with water, the supply coming from the city water-works.

The Pennsylvania Railway Company will, early in January, put on an additional fast mail train each way between New York and Chicago, proposing to make the a new writer to put before the public that He shows one the journals of prominent men and the ledgers of the old merchants, and the business methods of that period. and the business methods of that period. He enables us to see the pilgrim and the Puritan as he was in life, and strips from him the disguises with which early and didactic writers have surrounded him, and makes him the mortal that he is. In short, Mr. Weeden has given his readers an introduction to the real people of that locality in that early time, and those who read his two volumes will not only find every page entertaining, but they will finish them with a better knowledge of the early people of New England than can be obtained from more pretentions histories. Published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston; sold by the Bowen-Merrill Company, Indianapolis. anapolis. That remarkably interesting series en

titled "The Story of the Nations" has as its latest addition "The Story of Switzerland," by Lina Hug and Richard Stead. It is history of the development and growth of the Swiss people and government from the earliest times to the present. The story begins away back of the formation of the Swiss League in 1291 and is brought down to recent times. Not the least interesting part of it is the history of the intellectual development of Switzerland, including a sketch of the Reformation and of many characters celebrated in connection with the intellectual progress of Europe. All ne intellectual progress of Europe these volumes are printed in good readable type and handsome 12mo, form, illustrated and furnished with maps and indexes, and are sold separately at \$1.50 each. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons; Indianapolis: Bowen-Merrill Company.

The wonderful popularity of "Ben-Hur" has given rise to an abundant crop of novels founded on Biblical history and dealing with scriptuaral characters. These imitatations are a tribute to the success of a great and unrivaled work.
"Leah, of Jerusalem," is one of this class. It is a story of the time of Paul, who is himself one of the characters. Jesus of Nazareth also figures in the story which shows large acquaintance with the history of the times, and is written with considerable vigor. Some of the familiar incidents of the New Testament are introduced quite effectively. The author is Edward P. Berry. Cloth, \$1.25; sent by mail on receipt of price. New York: Anson D. F. Randolph, 38 West Twenty-third street.

Worthington Company, 747 Broadway, New York, have issued "W. Heimburg's Christmas Stories," a collection of short tales of rare beauty and freshness. Who ever loves the higher forms of modern fiction will be charmed with these quaint novelettes, which show an originality en-tirely uncommon and exhibit an extraor-dinary vividness of descriptive and imaginative power. A notable feature of the book are the fifty photogravure illustrations, made after designs of great foreign artists. They happily illustrate the text, and add very much to the appearance of the work. The work is translated from the German by Mrs. J. W. Davis, and is issued in Worthington's International Li

"The Story Hour, a Book for the Home and Kindergarten," by Kate Douglas Wiggin and Nora Smith, contains fourteen stories for children. An experience of twelve years among the kindergartners, however, has shown to the two writers and editors of the collection that there is room for books containing stories which need no adaptation or arrangement; which are ready for the occasion, and which have been thoroughly tried before audience after and an introductory established a containing stories which need no has a fine story-telling style, and her characters talk like real live people. The little girl beroine is particularly attractive. Cloth, 50 cents. Boston: Estes & Lauriat: Indianapolis: Bowen-Merrill Company. however, has shown to the two writers and adaptation or arrangement; which are ready for the occasion, and which have been thoroughly tried before audience after audience of children. An introductory essay on story-telling and story-writing for children contains some good points. Cloth, \$1. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co.; Indianapolis: Bowen-Merrill Company.

"American Sonnets" is a collection of son nets by American authors. There are more than 150 authors represented, many of them by more than one sonnet. The subjects embrace almost every conceivable topic, and when it is stated that the selections were made by T. W. Higginson and E. H. Bigediscrimination and editing. Of Indiana authors Mesers. James Whitcomb Riley and Maurice Thompson are each represented by two sonnets. The book is issued in at-tractive form by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston. Indianapolis: Bowen-Merrill Company. Cloth, \$1.25.

A very attractive volume is "Summerland," by Margaret Macdonald Pullman. It is a beautiful collection of wood engravings, interpreting, in a poetic and artistic way, the delights of summer. Each picture is prefaced by a sentiment, and the whole book is a fine example of refined faste admirably expressed. It would make a beautiful gift book. There are sixty-three original illustrations, engraved on wood by Andrew. Size, 912x1212 inches. Oblong quarto, artistic cover of two-colored cloths, beautifully ornamented, full gilt, \$3.75. Boston: Lee & Shepard. Indianapolis: Bowen-Merrill Company.

"One of Cleopatra's Nights," and other romances, translated from the French of Theophile Gautier, by Lafcadio Hearn, is issued by the Worthington Company as No. 4, Rose Library. The stories are all short, intensely dramatic, and possess high literary finish. They also afford many ex-amples of that peculiar beauty of fancy and power of words which made Gautier the formest author of his time. The subtle charm of the French style, light, brilliant and sparkling, is admirably retained by the translator. The photogravure illustrations add very much to the interest of the author's imaginative creations.

"Representative Sonnets by American Poets" is a collection from among the best sonnets in American literature. Keeping in view a high standard of merit as the first requisite the selection is made as widely representative as possible. The number of sonnets contained in the volume is 445, and these represent a large number of authors. The work is edited with good judgment by Charles H. Crandall, who also raishes an essay on the sonnet, its nature and history, which contains much interesting matter for literary readers. Cloth. 31.50. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co.; Indianapolis: Bowen-Merrill Company.

Jane G. Austin, author of "A Nameless Nobleman." "Standish of Standish." etc., appears before the public in a new novel entitled, "Dr. Le Barron and His Daughters." It purports to be founded on certain passages of Old Colony history, and if the claim is not true it is made to assume very realistic form. The story deals with characters and events in the early dawn of New England, and gives many curious pictures of the hard and narrow life led by the old colonists. The story itself is well written and full of interest. Cloth, \$1.25. Boston: Houghton, Mifflin & Co.; Indianapolis: Bowen-Merrill Company.

"Idle I ours" is the title of a volume of poems by Mr. W. DeWitt Wallace, of Indiana. The author has long been known as a writer of graceful verses, but this is, we believe, his first published volume. It contains something over fifty poems, most of them quite short, though two or three take a narrative form. The poems show decided facility in composition, and if the author never rises to the highest flights of poetry, he wings his way safely through those he attempts. Many of the poems breathe true

and tender sentiment, and all of them are marked by refinement of expression. The book is published in attractive style by G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York. Cloth, \$1.25. Indianapolis: Bowen-Merrill Company.

The Worthington Company, New York, have commenced a series to be called "Our Boys' Library," the second number being "A Boy's History of the United States." Compressing into one moderate-sized volume the entire period from the discovery of America to the election of President Har-America to the election of President Harrison, it is necessarily much condensed,
but it has an attractive style for young
people, presents life-like sketches of our
great men and women, our explorers, conquerors, and pilgrim fathers, and gives full
and reliable accounts of many noble deeds
and actions, of the different wars, of our
political struggles, etc. Paper, 50 cents.

A very attractive holiday souvenir is "Dreams of the Sea," consisting of a series of ocean views accompanied by carefully selected text from Whittier, Richard Henry Dana, Heine, etc. The delicate tints and exquisite coloring of the engravings, combined with the appropriate text, make this a very attractive holiday book. Added to its artistic and literary merit is a fine religious sentiment which will commend it to many. It makes a large and handsome oblong volume. Price, \$2.50. Boston: Estes & Lauriat; Indianapolis: Bowen-Merrill Company. Company.

"Zury, the Meanest Man in Spring County," a novel by Joseph Kirkland, first published a year or so ago, is now issued in a new edition and better form in the Riverside paper series, by Houghton, Mifflin & Co. It is a realistic and striking story of pioneer life in Illinois. The characters are strongly drawn and the pictures of early Western life are graphic and truthful. The story is interesting and well told. Paper, 50 cents. Indianapolis: Bowen-Merrill Company.

"The New Constitution," by John N. Cunning, is an earnest discussion of some of the great social and economic problems of the day, with suggestions as to their solution and treatment. The land and labor problems receive large attention, and the author believes that co-operation and socialism are their only true solution. As a thoughtful contribution to current discussion the book is worth reading. Chicago: Donohue, Henneberry & Co.

Lee & Shepard issue two works by Lawrence Gronlund entitled "The Co-operative Commonwealth; an Exposition of Socialism" and "Our Destiny, the Influence of Nationalism on Morals and Religion." Both works discuss the doctrine of socialism from a philosophical stand-point, the author maintaining that it offers the true solution for many of the evils of modern society and government. They are bound in paper, price 50 cents each. Indianapolis: Bowen-

Merrill Company. -An exceedingly pretty holiday publication is entitled "From an Old Love Letter." It consists of extracts from the Scriptures, chiefly from the writings of Paul, concerning love, prefaced by one from Thomas a-Kempis. The printing is in German text, and the text is beautifully illuminated by Irene A. Jerome. Boston: Lee & Shepard; Indianapolis: Bowen-Merrill Company. Antique binding, \$1.

J. B. Lippincott Company have issued a beautiful edition of T. Buchanan Read's celebrated poem, "Sheridan's Ride." Each stanza is illustrated with engravings on wood from designs especially prepared for this edition, and they are very graphic. Wherever the figure of Sheridan appears it is a good likeness, and the battle scenes are very realistic. The volume is bound in handsome style. Cloth, gilt, \$2.50. Indianapolis: Bowen-Merrill Company.

"War and the Weather," by Edward Powers, is an ingenious argument to prove that heavy artillery firing almost always sets in operation certain motions and forces that cause condensation of aqueous vapor, thus bringing rain. The author shows considerable scientific knowledge, and cites numerous instances from history in proof of his theory. Price, \$1. Published by the author, at Delavan, Wis.

"Captain January," by Laura E. Richards, is one of those stories which, written especially for young people, is equally as

"The Voice in Speech and Song," by Theodore E. Schmank, is an interesting treatise on the human voice, its treatment, development, peculiarities, possibilities, etc. The author shows a thorough knowledge of the subject, and the book is a useful one for speakers and singers, and interesti ing for all who love the arts of speech and song. New York: John B. Alden.

Books Received. "The Burmah Treasure," a novel, by Stephen Paul Sheffield. Chicago: Rand, Mc-

"The Other Man's Wife," a novel, by John Strange Winter. Paper, 50 cents. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co. "Cudjo's Cave," by J. T. Trowbridge. Issued in Good Company series by Lee &

Shepard, Boston. Paper, 50 cents. "Confidence," a novel, by Henry James, ir., published in the Riverside paper series, by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston. Price,

"My Uncle Benjamin," a humorous novel, by Claude Tillier: translated from the rench, by Benjamin R. Tucker. Boston: Benjamin R. Tucker. "A Squire of Low Degree," a novel, by

Lily A. Long. Published as No. 63 in Town and Country Library. Price, 50 cents. New York: D. Appleton & Co. "The Rich Man's Fool," a novel, by Rob-

ert C. Givins, author of "The Millionaire Tramp." Illustrated with photogravures. Paper, 50 cents. Chicago: Laird & Lee. "The Wonderful Adventures of Phra, the Phœnician," a novel, by Edwin Lester Arnold, and "Marcia," a novel, by W. E. Norris, issued as Nos. 686 and 687, respectively in the Franklin-square Library series, by Harper & Bros., New York. Price, 50 cents and 40 cents, repectively.

One Way to Make a Living. New York Telegram.

There seems to be no limit to the variety of ways in which a dollar can be earned by a sharp-witted man. I know one who makes a comfortable living by attending auction sales of furniture. He is not in collusion with the auctioners; in fact, he will only attend such sales as are genuine and peremptory, where every article is sold for the highest figure bid, no matter how low that may be. My friend simply trades on the weakness of human nature, especially of the feminine variety. Many women attend these sales, and are really desirious of securing certain articles, but shrink from the publicity of trying to outbid some other would-be purchaser. They prefer to give two or three dollars advance on the price paid by the successful bidder. This man secures all he can of the best bargains offered and then disposes of them at a small advance upon his outlay to one or other of the disappointed bidders. It is not unusual for him to clear from ten to twenty dollars a day. There is no loss, for even if the articles are left on his hands he easily gets his money back by sending them to a general auction-room.

### Ministerial Tribulations.

First Preacher-How much is your sal-Second Preacher (sorrowfully)-Fourhundred dollars; but I don't get it all. How much is yours? First Preacher (sadly)-Four donations; but I'm worse off than you are-I get them

Reaped What He Sowed. Buffalo Commercia

Colonel Haskell charges that Senator Hampton "was defeated by fraud." Opposition members were actually counted out, and not allowed to take their seats! Great Scott! Fancy the perpetration of such a crime as that on the sacred soil of South Carolina! Curses, like chickens, come home to roost.

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LARGE SHIPS OF THE ANCIENTS. The Egyptians Built Vessels as Big as Our

Maritime Register. We moderns are justly proud of the wonderful and magnificent specimens of naval architecture that crowd the great ports of the world. If there is anything new under the sun a first-class ocean steamer, it is believed, is that rarity. In our conceit we recall only the galleys and triremes of the ancients, that scarce ever ventured beyond the coast line, and the small barks in which Columbus and those that followed him conquered the new world and gave commerce its greatest field. But the ancients built many goodly-sized craft and made luxury a study on some of them. That much-controverted craft, the ark, is an example of bigness. Her tonnage is estimated at about fifteen thousand tons, smaller, at is true, than that of the Great Eastern. No less an authority than Lindsay thinks that she was simply a raft of stupendous size, having upon it a structure resembling a huge warehouse. As no means of propulsion were necessary, this description may be cor-

rect. The cargo, however, was unique, and probably the largest and most valuable The description of the ark, as given in the Scriptures, makes the vessel about 450 eet in length, 75 feet in breadth and 45 feet in depth, proportions similar to those in use to-day for great vessels. But as the agnostic is not sure that this life-boat of the human race ever existed, and as the materialist is sure she never was built, let us take for example of big ancient vessels some other craft vouched for upon the authority of profane and not sacred writers. The Egyptians, fond of large things and big dimensions, made the big tonnage vessels of ancient times, Ptolemy (Philopator) would have appreciated the Great Eastern. He was fond of building big boats. One of these is said to have been 420 feet long, 57 feet broad and 72 feet deep from the highest point of the stern. This vessel had four rudders, or what some would call steering oars, as they were not fastened, each forty-five feet long. She carried four thousand rowers, besides three thousand marines, a large body of servants under her decks, and stores and provisions. Her oars were fifty-seven feet long, and the handles were weighted with lead. There were two thousand rowers on a side, and it is supposed that these were divided into five banks. That this extraordinary vessel ever put to sea is doubted, but that she was launched and used at times, if only for display, several historians

Another "ship," the Thalamegus, built for one of the Ptolemies, is said to have been 300 feet long, 40 feet broad and 60 feet deep. This was a far more magnificent vessel than any previous one. An Alexanher, speaks of her having colonnades. marble stairs and gardens. Another great vessel, historical by reason of its size, is one built by Hiero, King of Syracuse. Her dimensions are estimated to be large from the description of her cargo and the number of her decks and houses. She is supposed to have been sheathed with lead, and accomplished at least one successful voyage. A full description of her would read somewhat like that of one of our Long Island-sound or Hudson-river steamboats. She had three entrances, the lowest leading to the hold, the second to the eating-rooms and the third appropriated to the soldiers. There were thirty rooms, each having four couches, for the soldiers; there were fifteen couches in the sailors' supper-room, and there were three more cabins, each having three couches. The floors of all these rooms were laid in stone mosaic work.
There was also a temple of cypress inlaid with ivory and dedicated to Venus. The mainmost was composed of a single tree. and the vessel carried four wooden and eight iron anchors.

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